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Dear Sir:

Our file for the subject application reveals that there has been no action in this application since March 12, 1999 when, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution of the application was suspended.

Please inform us as to the status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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